

aid and keep some local property taxes lower in a deceptive way, then this won't work for them to do that any longer.

SENATOR DUIS: What I'm trying to say is in 274, I know in committee we amended this bill specifically to state the fact that the fines from parking meters would go to the school district. I'm wondering if your amendment, as such, is worded properly in case you really want it in there. Would you take a look at 274?

SENATOR DeCAMP: Sure will. It will take about 30 seconds. Okay. That says, that is exactly what I'm saying. That says what the Constitution says. What I'm telling you is that they're violating what you're trying to write into law again. It's already a law. They're violating it. If they're violating it, all I'm doing with my amendment is saying we really don't care if you want to be dishonest and crooked and work with the schools doing that. That is fine, except you're going to have to account for it in your accountable receipts on the state aid formula so that you don't get paid twice, in effect.

SENATOR DUIS: Mr. Clerk, would you please read the amendment again.

CLERK: Read amendment.

SENATOR DUIS: Well it sounds a little extra because what you're saying here is that even if they didn't receive them they would have to find out what they were.

SENATOR DeCAMP: That is right.

SENATOR DUIS: If they didn't receive them....

SENATOR DeCAMP: Why didn't they receive them? Because they aren't asking for them. The reason they're not asking for them is because that means the city is going to have to pay more money, that city is going to have to raise local property taxes, and they're getting this money from the state already.

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp, I don't think Senator Duis asked you a question.

SENATOR DUIS: I didn't that last time. That's the reason I didn't want an answer.

PRESIDENT: You may never ask him another one.

SENATOR DUIS: Oh, I bet I will. Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I don't object to the particular amendment, but I would want Senator Koch to answer this. I believe the law specifically states in the Constitution that these be given there. I don't see any reason that we reiterate it in this state aid bill. If they're not receiving it then there is a violation of the law, and that should take effect other than having in there if or if not they receive them, because all we're doing there is giving them an out in which to violate the law. I don't think there should be any if, and's, or but's in this thing.